

HOWARD COUNTY ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 19, 2014

IN ATTENDANCE: Joan Webb Scornaienchi, Linda Zumbrun, Jeff Meyers, Kassy Hargadon-Zester, Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy, Donna Wells, Bob DeAngelis, Meghan Skaggs, Mary Affeldt, Katie Turner, Robert Erhardt, Kevin Hogan, Tim Madden, Carol Robinson, Judge William Tucker, Bruce MacDonald, Trish Schuppa, Dr. Joe Gagliardi, Darrel Horney, Carol Swec and Dr. Andy Angelino

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS: The meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm. Joan welcomed the board and guests and everyone introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The November 19, 2014 agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The October 15, 2014 minutes were approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

HC DrugFree/Howard County Alcohol Coalition Update: Joan introduced guest speaker, Dr. Andy Angelino, the Psychiatry Department Chair Person at Howard County General Hospital. At present, there are 4 doctors and 7 - 8 social workers on staff. Discussion was focused on what Howard County has to offer, what we would like to do in the future and what we should focus on. Bruce MacDonald from Living in Recovery voiced concern for the lack of detoxification services in Howard County. There was a discussion on the importance for a continuum of care in Howard County in addition to detoxification including inpatient treatment, medication assisted treatment, and outpatient detoxification.

Joan reminded everyone that tomorrow, November 20, 2014 is the Great American Smoke-Out.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy informed the board of the two (2) upcoming Overdose Response Program trainings. There is a training scheduled on Monday, November 24, 2014 at 10:00 am at the Howard County Detention Center for inmates and staff. An additional training is scheduled for Monday, December 15, 2014 at 10:00 am at the Howard County Health Department for the public. Electronic flyers have been emailed to referral sources and community partners to promote the trainings. Posters will be passed out to referral sources and community partners with revised pull sheets to promote the upcoming training on December 15, 2014. Contact Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy or Carol Swec at 410-313-6202 to register. The Office of Health Care Quality completed an audit of ASAM Level I detention center substance use disorder treatment with the Bureau of Behavioral Health. The audit was successfully completed with certification approval for 2 more years. In the near future, counseling programs will be required by COMAR to become accredited and follow accreditation auditing processes unless counselors are licensed professionals. The Bureau of Behavioral Health is working on CARF accreditation preparations. CARF accredits in 3 year cycles. Starting 1/1/15, Value Options will begin managing Medicaid billable services for substance use disorders. Starting 7/1/15, Value Options will begin managing uninsured fee for services. Value Options has managed Medicaid and uninsured fee for services for many years for mental health services.

NEW BUSINESS: Election of ADAAB officers for 2015: Joan Webb Scornaienchi was nominated to remain the Chair and Meghan Skaggs was nominated to remain the Vice Chair. No other nominations were received. Congratulations to Joan and Meghan.

End of year recommendations from ADAAB need to go to County Executive by early December. The board was asked to email all recommendations to Joan who will then share with everyone for their input.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next ADAAB meeting will be January 21, 2015 at the Howard County Health Department.in the Executive Conference Room at the Health Department's 8930 Stanford Blvd location at 5:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.